A VERY SPECIAL DAY
TODAY IS
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I'VE BEEN EXCITED ALL MORNING
THE REASON?
I WONDER WHAT MOM IS COOKING...
IT SMELLS NICE.
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YOU'RE AWAKE?
IT'S BECAUSE
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
THANKS BIG SIS
TODAY IS MY 6TH BIRTHDAY!

THEN I'LL GO PICK THE FLOWERS FOR THE TABLE!
BUT TODAY IS SUPPOSED TO BE YOUR SPECIAL DAY!
DO YOU NEED HELP GETTING DRESSED?
YOU'LL GET YOUR PRESENTS DURING THE FEAST
YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL EVENING TO ENJOY THAT
SO REMEMBER TO STAY OUT OF THE KITCHEN UNTIL THEN.
BUT IT JUST SMELLS SO NICE
YOU COULD'VE SLEPT A BIT LONGER IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY AFTER ALL
ALRIGHT, GET DRESSED THEN
I'M 6 NOW!
NO!
I'LL DO IT MYSELF!
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I TRIED SO HARD...
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YOU'VE TIED YOUR SASH THE WRONG WAY AGAIN
10 MINUTES LATER
I CAN DO IT MYSELF!
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT.

EVERYONE!
TIME FOR BREAKFAST.
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OKAY!
NAM, EDA, WAKE UP ALREADY!
OKAY...
COME ON, TRY HARDER!
HERE I'LL SHOW YOU. FIRST YOU GO UNDER THEN MAKE RABBIT EARS WITH IT.
TAKE IT FROM UP HERE DOWN LIKE THIS OVER THE MOUNTAIN AND INTO THE HOLE. GOT IT?
YEAH.
HEY, MASTER.
IS IT SOMEONE'S BIRTHDAY TODAY?
YEP. IT'S MY BIRTHDAY.
I'M LOOKING FOR A FLOWER TO PUT ON THE TABLE WHEN I GET MY PRESENTS AT DINNER

WE'LL GO LOOK AS WELL!
AH!
DON'T GO TOO FAR
WAIT THEY'RE SPIRITS
IT'S AS IF I'M THEIR MOTHER
IT'S MASTER'S BIRTHDAY?!
WHAT?!
WOAH!
THEIR TELEPATHIC MESSAGES SEEM DIFFERENT TODAY
THEY'RE NOT SPEAKING IN BROKEN SENTENCES ANYMORE
HM?

IT MUST BE BECAUSE OF THE CONTRACT...
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MASTER, COME OVER HERE!
WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THESE FLOWERS?
THEY'RE ALL SO COLORFUL!
THEY LOOKS LIKE COSMOSES
THEY'RE CUTE, SO THEY SHOULD LOOK GOOD IN THE BOUQUET...
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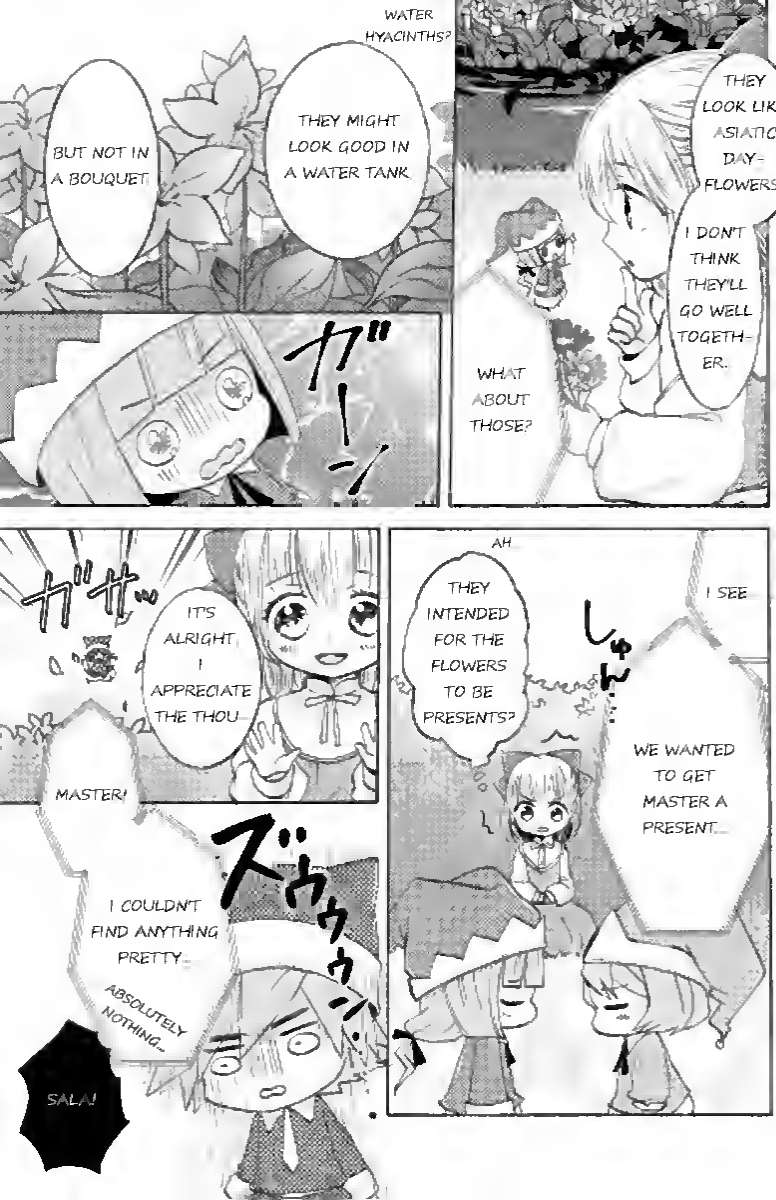
MASTER!
OVER HERE!
HOW ABOUT THESE?


WATER HYACINTHS?
THEY MIGHT LOOK GOOD IN A WATER TANK.
BUT NOT IN A BOUQUET.
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UH...
THEY LOOK LIKE ASIATIC DAY-FLOWERS.
I DON'T THINK THEY'LL GO WELL TOGETHER.
WHAT ABOUT THOSE?
AH
THEY INTENDED FOR THE FLOWERS TO BE PRESENTS?
I SEE
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WE WANTED TO GET MASTER A PRESENT...
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IT'S ALRIGHT. I APPRECIATE THE THOU-
MASTER!
I COULDN'T FIND ANYTHING PRETTY...
ABSOLUTELY NOTHING...
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SALA!

WE WANTED TO CELEBRATE
TOGETHER
GEEZ...
I'M HAPPY WITH THE THOUGHT ALONE
BUT
MASTER
IS IMPORTANT TO US...
TH-

UM...
WAIT...
IS THERE SOMETHING I CAN ASK ALL OF THEM TO DO FOR ME?
UH...
THANK YOU, EVERY-ONE!
THEY'RE TOO CUTE!
— SAY, CAN SPIRITS USE MAGIC EVEN IF THEY DON'T RECEIVE MANA FROM HUMANS?
SALA WARMED ME UP WHEN I GOT SICK IN THE CART EVEN THOUGH I DIDN'T GIVE ANY MANA
A LITTLE
IF WE GROW BIG LIKE GNO, WE'LL BE ABLE TO DO MORE!
SO THERE'S SPELLS YOU CAN'T USE UNTIL YOU GROW UP?
THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE IN HOW MUCH EXTRA MANA SPIRITS OF DIFFERENT RANKS POSSESS
EXTRA MANA?

WE SPIRITS ARE BORN FROM THE MANA THAT APPEARS IN NATURE
WE START OUT REALLY SMALL
BUT WE'LL ABSORB MANA
AND AFTER A FEW HUNDRED YEARS WE'LL FINALLY BECOME HIGH RANKING SPIRITS
BUT IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE TO FORM A CONTRACT WITH A HUMAN WE'RE COMPATIBLE WITH AND SHORTEN THE TIME IT TAKES.
I WAS STILL A LOW RANKING SPIRIT WHEN I MET YOU MASTER
NORMALLY IT WOULD TAKE ANOTHER 300 YEARS FOR ME TO GROW THIS MUCH.

I'M SORRY FOR TAKING AWAY YOUR CHILDHOOD
I DID QUITE A NUMBER THERE...
YOU DON'T NEED TO APOLOGIZE.
THAT'S RIGHT!
THREE
HUN-DRED?!
WE ALL WISH TO BECOME HIGH RANKING SPIRITS AS FAST AS WE CAN
YOU DON'T NEED TO GO OUT OF YOUR WAY TO OFFER US MANA THOUGH
THE USUAL COMPENSA-TION WILL BE JUST FINE!
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DIDN'T YOU ASK FOR SOME WHEN WE WERE HEADING BACK TO THE VILLAGE?
*FEIGNING IGNORANCE
WE HADN'T FORMED THE CONTRACT BACK THEN.
STILL...
YEAH. IT SEEMS THAT GIVING YOU NAMES IS WHAT FORMED THE CON-TRACT.
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE OUR FIRST CONTRACTOR!
WE RECEIVE A NAME FROM OUR FIRST CONTRACTOR

WE TREASURE ALL OF OUR CONTRACTORS
BUT OUR FIRST CONTRACTOR
ALL CONTRACTS AFTER THAT
ARE ONLY POSSIBLE IF WE
TELL THAT PERSON OUR NAME
OH
I SEE...

IS ESPECIALLY SPECIAL
THE ONE THAT GIVES US OUR NAME
MASTER TURNED TO STONE!
AH
SPIRITS
PROTECT THEIR CONTRACTOR AND TREASURE THEM
I DON'T REMEMBER RAISING YOU TO BE LIKE THAT!
WHERE DID YOU LEARN THOSE SORT OF MOVES?!

IT'S JUST AN EX-AM PLE
HUH?
WAS I LEAKING MANA?
YOU HAVE GREAT CONTROL OVER YOUR MANA MASTER.
??
WE'LL DEAL WITH THREATS AS BEST WE CAN.
AND EVEN IF YOU WERE TO CONSTANTLY LEAK MANA
WE WOULDN'T TAKE IT.
WE WOULD ONLY TAKE MANA AS COMPENSATION.
BACK ON TOPIC
WHENEVER WE USE MAGIC WE FIRST TAKE THE MANA THAT WE NEED TO KEEP EXISTING AND THE REMAINDER IS USED FOR THE MAGIC
SINCE WE SUBSIST ON MANA
IT'S LIKE THIS.
COMPEN-SATION
THAT'S THE "COMPEN-SATION"
OUR SHARE
SINCE HIGH RANKING SPIRITS POSSESS MORE MANA
WE'RE ABLE TO DO USE IT FOR MORE

CALM DOWN
AL RIGHT
SINCE YOU CAN ALL USE A LITTLE MAGIC, I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU FOR A FAVOR.
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WHENEVER THERE'S A NEW SPIRIT KING, IT'S JUST THE SPIRIT WITH THE MOST MANA.
SO THEY ONLY FORM CONTRACTS FOR FUN.
FOR FUN?!
THEY'RE COMPLETELY MATURED BY THEN ANYWAYS
I SEE...
IN THAT CASE THE SPIRIT KING MUST HAVE A MASSIVE AMOUNT OF MANA
AND THEN THERE'S HIS CONTRACTOR'S MANA
THE SPIRIT KING'S CONTRACTOR?
MY BIRTHDAY PRESENT!
YOU'LL NEED TO CREATE IT THOUGH WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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HELLO, MR. KUUMA!
HE'S HERE
HEY
OH IF IT AIN'T MIRA!

HUH?
HOW DID YOU KNOW?!
WHAT DO YOU NEED? I CAN MAKE IT FOR YOU
IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY TODAY, ISN'T IT?
SO YOU'RE BACK NOW?
HA HA HA!
WE'RE WAITING FOR A PERSON TO COME HERE FROM THE CAPITAL, THEN WE'LL TRY GOING THERE AGAIN.
I WANTED TO MAKE SOMETHING BEFORE THEN, SO CAN I HAVE SOME SCRAPS OF WOOD?
YOUR OLDER BROTHERS STAYED HERE UNTIL LATE INTO THE NIGHT TO MAKE A DOLL FOR YOU!
DON'T RUIN THE SUR- PRISE...
I JUST NEED THE MATERIALS.
BUT THE ONES WHO'LL BE MAKING IT ARE THE SPIRITS
THANK YOU,
?
THE SPIRITS?
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO MAKE?
BUT I SEE NOW...
THAT'S WHY THEY WERE SLEEPING IN TODAY.
SO
HEHEHE...

WHAT ARE THEY GONNA MAKE?
A PERPETUAL CALENDAR!
OH
THANK YOU.
HERE
I CUT THEM UP FOR YOU.
UHYY YOU WERE GOING TO CUT IT BUT...
GNO YOU'LL PICK OUT THE WOOD
HAHAHA! LEAVE THAT TO ME!
DO YOU NEED ANYTHING ELSE CUT?

THIS FIRST ONE IS AN EXPERIMENT
SINCE I DON'T KNOW HOW IT'LL GO...
MY!
OH MY
DO YOU THINK WE'LL MESS UP?
I DON'T DOUBT YOUR POWERS.
LET'S SEE...
LET'S START!
LET'S START!
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FIRST, DRY IT OUT WELL.
OKAY!
BUT IT'S NOT LIKE I CAN HELP YOU.
OBVIOUSLY!
IT'S YOUR PRESENT!
LEAVE IT TO US!

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NEXT... LPHY!
THANK YOU DINE
HMM
I'LL TRY IT!
POLISH IT SO THE SURFACE FEELS SMOOTH
IT FEELS A BIT ROUGH

I LET THE WIND SPIRIT HANDLE IT, SO I DON'T KNOW HOW IT WORKS
I GUESS,
?
IT'S WELL DONE
YOU POLISHED IT WITH THE WIND?
THAT'S IMPRESSIVE
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LASTLY, THE NUMBERS NEED TO BE DRAWN
SALA START WITH 0.
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NEXT IS 1!! 2! 3…
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AL-RIGHT!
THE FIRST BLOCK IS DONE!
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HOW ARE YOU GONNA USE IT?
SO IT'S A DIE WITHOUT THE 6?
LIKE THIS!
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TODAY IS THE 5TH DAY OF THE 2ND WEEK
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OF THE 12TH MONTH
OKAY THEN, GIVE ME A MINUTE.
?
YOU COULD USE THIS FOR A LONG TIME!
I SEE! THAT'S CLEVER!
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HEY, MIRA
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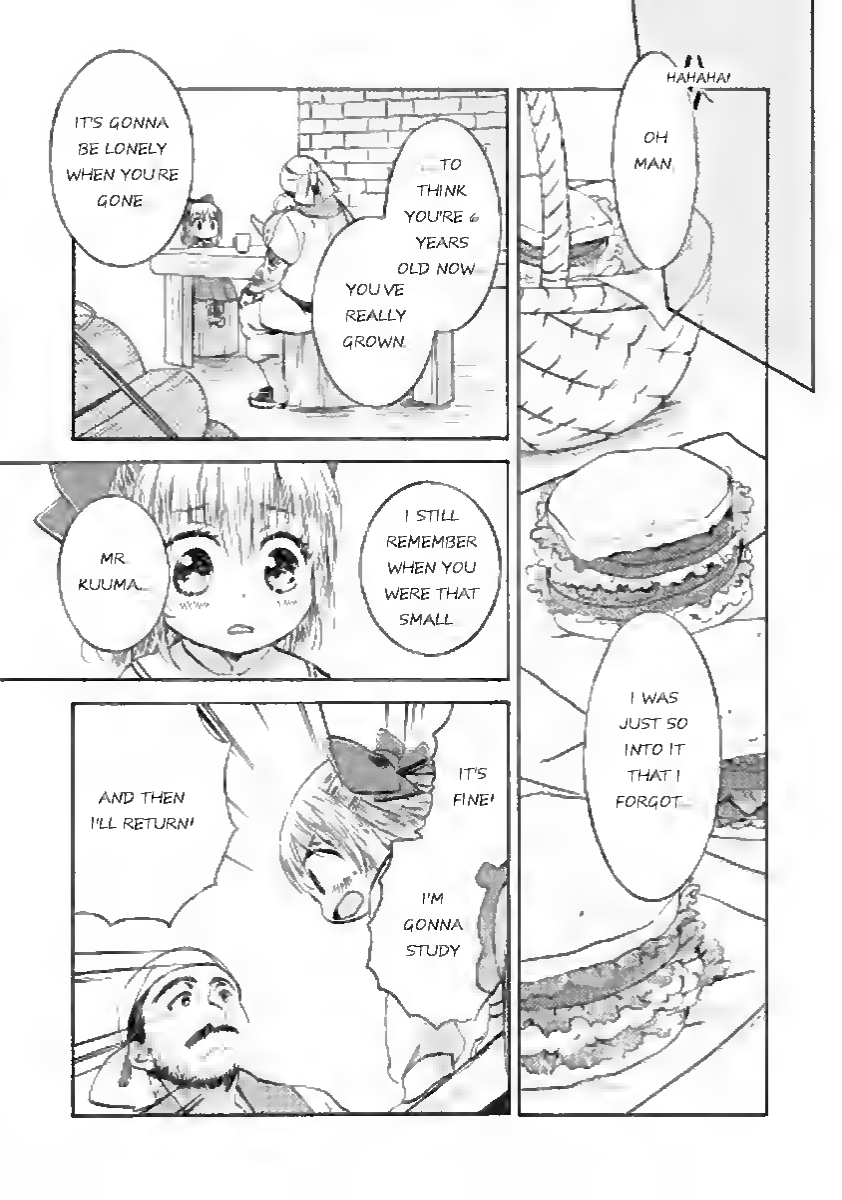
WHEN THE SPIRITS WERE USING MAGIC,
I SAW SOME TINY FLASHES OF BLUE, GREEN AND RED
BUT ISN'T THERE ANOTHER SPIRIT?
WHAT COLOR IS THAT ONE'S MAGIC?
I HAVEN'T SEEN GNOME USE MAGIC...
THINKING ABOUT IT...
YELLOW?
CORRECT!
Oh!
SO IT'S YELLOW?
MIRA
CAN YOU ASK THAT SPIRIT TO DRY THESE AS WELL?
I SUPPOSE I COULD
YEAH...
SHE'LL DO IT!
ALRIGHT, I GOT THE 4 COLORS!
THEY LOOK GOOD
?

THIS IS...
THAT'S RIGHT.
IT'S TO SPLIT UP THE NUMBERS MORE EASILY
TAKE IT!
HAHAHA!
MIRA...
THANK YOU!
I'LL TREASURE IT!


IT'S GONNA BE LONELY WHEN YOU'RE GONE
...TO THINK YOU'RE 6 YEARS OLD NOW. YOU'VE REALLY GROWN.
MR. KUUMA...
I STILL REMEMBER WHEN YOU WERE THAT SMALL.
AND THEN I'LL RETURN!
IT'S FINE!
I'M GONNA STUDY
HAHAHA!
OH MAN.
I WAS JUST SO INTO IT THAT I FORGOT...

THAT'S RIGHT,
THIS IS ALL SO I CAN LIVE MY NEW LIFE IN PEACE!

AND FOR
THAT,

I NEED TO ATTEND THE MAGIC ACADEMY AND STUDY!
AND I'LL KEEP MY CHEATS A SECRET!
THE REINCARNATED MIRA,
6 YEARS OLD.

BROUGHT HERE
BY FATE,
SHE HAS
ARRIVED IN
THE CAPITAL.